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SRI V. GOPALA GOUNDER :—" Will the Hon. Minister be pleased to give me a direct answer? Did he verify whether the loan was utilized for the purposes for which it was taken and is he aware that the company has to pay a tax arrear of Rs. 20,000 to the Villupuram Municipality?"

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" I should like to remind hon. Members that when the Government advance a loan, the authority who inspects the assets and satisfies himself that there is enough security for the loan is the Director of Industries and not the Minister for Industries."

SRI S. T. ADITYAN :—" Have the Government experience of working a vanaspathi factory in another place? Have they taken any action with regard to the Hydrogenation Factory at Kozhikode which, though called by a different name, is also a vanaspathi factory?"

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" I said that the factories at Kozhikode, Katpadi and Villupuram were not working. I did not omit the Kozhikode factory." 11 a.m.

N.C.C. Units for all schools and colleges.

* 291 *Q.*—SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR (on behalf of Sri V. R. Krishna Ayyar) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any representations from educational institutions and M.L.As. that N.C.C. Units should be established in every school and college in the State;

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon; and

(*c*) whether the Defence Ministry has promised help to the State Government for the establishment of N.C.C. Units in the educational institutions in the State?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) Proposals for the expansion of the National Cadet Corps are considered every year with reference to the funds available for the purpose. Decisions will be taken shortly in respect of the proposals for 1954–55.

" (*c*) No such help has been promised by the Government of India. They have suggested certain measures for effecting economies in expenditure under the National Cadet Corps. The question as to how the savings thus effected may be utilized, is under consideration."

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" In how many colleges and high schools attached to the University of the residuary State of Madras there are National Cadet Corps Units and how many cadets were given training in the previous year?"

THE HON. C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" In the Senior Division, there were 10 units and there were 294 cadets. So far as the Junior Division was concerned, there were 32,367 cadets."

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SRI A. VELOO :—" Has the Government of Madras recognized the training in the National Cadet Corps as an additional qualification for Government service? "

MR. SPEAKER :—" That has nothing to do with this question. We shall pass on to the next question."

Delay in forwarding pension papers in the Fisheries Department.

* 292 *Q.*—SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any representations from persons of the Fisheries Department alleging inordinate delay in the department to forward pension papers;

(*b*) if so, from how many; and

(*c*) what action has been taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) Yes.

" (*b*) Two cases.

" (*c*) In one case the Government have sanctioned the grant of an anticipatory pension pending issue of final pension order. In the other case, the report of the Director of Industries and Commerce is awaited."

SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR :—" May I know how long this pension paper has been pending? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" The officer, in whose affair the hon. Member is interested, retired from service on 23rd June 1953. There has been some delay because we have to refer the matter to the Accountant-General and the Accountant-General returned back the papers. No doubt, there has been some delay. But, in the meanwhile, the Government have sanctioned the grant of an anticipatory pension of Rs. 30 per mensem to this officer."

SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR :—" In view of the fact that these Government officers drawing a small salary have to wait for months after retirement to get their pension and they have to starve or go on begging in the meanwhile, will the Government find out some method for expediting these matters? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" I shall certainly expedite it, Sir. Certain delays are inevitable. Therefore, we sanction anticipatory pension."

Opening of a Medical College in Madurai.

* 293 *Q.*—SRI T. ANANTA PAI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state the estimated capital expenditure to be incurred on the proposed Medical College at Madurai—

(i) for the pre-clinical course; and

(ii) for the clinical course?